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STATE ROUTE 18 AND STATE ROUTE 330 OPENING UNDER ESCORT ONLY

San Bernardino - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that California Highway Patrol escorts will allow residents of Crestline, Lake Arrowhead, Running Springs and other mountain communities onto State Route 18 and State Route 330. The escorts are for residents only with proof of residency. State Route 38 was opened yesterday evening and remains open.

The hours of escorts are listed below:

EVENING 5:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. MORNING 5:00 A.M. TO 7:00 A.M.

The escort will allow upbound traffic to enter first in the evening and then downbound traffic will be escorted down. This "round-robin" effect will take place until the end of each escort shift. Morning escorts will work in reverse. The escorts will continue until the roads are reopened to all traffic.

Motorists are strongly advised to follow all signs and directions given. Please drive with caution and do not detour from the escort caravan. For updates on road conditions please see our website at www.dot.ca.gov/dist8 under "Storm Watch" or call (909) 383-4631.

Your patience during this roadway restoration is greatly appreciated and Caltrans thanks the mountain communities for their understanding. Please drive with caution on all mountain roads since ice is present.

CONSTRUCTION CREWS ARE STILL WORKING ON THESE ROUTES <u>- SAVE A LIFE AND SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE!</u>

